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**PATENT**  
**YOR920030616**  
**IBM-267**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Alexai A. Karve  
Serial Number : 10/731,535  
Filing Date : December 9, 2003  
Examiner : Jay A. Morrison  
Group Art Unit : 2168  
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS TO MODEL ASSOCIATIONS WITH  
BITSETS WITHIN A DATABASE TO PROCESS QUERIES

TO: The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Post Office Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2010, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS: Please amend the claims as set forth in Appendix A attached hereto.

**REMARKS**

With respect to the "Claim Objections" cited by the Examiner on page 2 of the Official Action, Applicants have amended the wording in independent Claims 1, 10, 19 and 28 at the appropriate locations.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider his rejection of Claims 1 - 36 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by the article to Morzy and Zakrzewicz ("Morzy").